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CORYNEBACTERIUM GLUTAMICUM

## **RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION**

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This document is filed in response to the Office Action mailed October 4, 2004, by the United States Patent and Trademark Office for the above-captioned application, having a shortened statutory period for response of January 4, 2005. It is believed that this response is timely without the need for an extension. If an extension of time is necessary to make this response timely, kindly grant one and charge the fee to deposit account number 02-4553.

The Examiner's rejections and objections have been carefully considered. In view of the following remarks and amendments, reconsideration and early allowance of all pending claims is courteously requested.